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Connersville Blower Company

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Location:	Connersville, Indiana UTM: 16.659340.4390370 Quad: Connersville, Indiana
Date of Construction:	1893
Present Owner:	Same
Significance:	Factory was established to compete with the P.H. and F.M. Roots Company, a world-famous manufacturer of exhausts, fans and blowers.
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The Connersville Blower Company, organized in 1893, was created in order to compete with the P.H. and F.M. Roots Company (see HAER IN-3), another Connersville firm that was world famous for its rotary action fans and blowers. The first president of the Connersville Blower Company was John S. McFarland, a local entrepreneur and promoter (see HAER IN-7, IN-8), who helped organize the Connersville Natural Gas Company and the Connersville Industrial Park in addition to his own McFarland Buggy Company.

On 31 August 1929 the Stacy Syndicate acquired both the Connersville Blower Company and the Roots Blower Company; on 24 January 1934 they merged into the Roots-Connersville Blower Company. Roots-Connersville was acquired by Dresser Industries on 1 July 1944.

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